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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2800

Docket No.: 684.2745  
Date: December 13, 2000

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of: NAOTO SANO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/163,402 ✓

For: GAS LASER DEVICE AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS USING THE SAME

Filed: September 30, 1998 ✓

Group Art Unit: 2881

The Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated June 13, 2000, of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 4 through 8, 10 through 15 and 17 through 29.

The items checked below are appropriate.

1. ☒ Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 13, 2000, from September 13, 2000 to December 13, 2000. Submitted herewith is a check for \$890.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 CFR 1.17. Any deficiency in or

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overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

2. ☐ A Petition for an additional \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time to take further action, together with the \$\_\_\_\_\_ extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17, was filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

3. ☒ Fee \$310.00

☐ Fee \$155.00 (Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.).


☒ Enclosed.

☐ Not required (fee paid in prior appeal).

☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith).

4. ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

5. ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

  
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